



STIC Search Report

EIC 3600

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Search Notes

Examiner Freda,

Please find enclosed the results of your search request.

If you need a refocus, please feel free to contact me.

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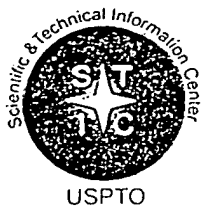
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Search Topic Information:

A charge information processing apparatus for calculating charges required for working as a franchisee that provides automobile repairing services by a specific repairing method, comprising:
means for inputting scale information of a repair shop into said charge information processing apparatus;
means for calculating introduction expenses required for facilities working as the franchisee providing the automobile repairing services by the specific repairing method, based on the scale information of a repair shop inputted into said charge information processing apparatus by said inputting means for calculating an instruction fee of said specific repairing method, a royalty, and prices of repairing instruments and repairing materials required for implementing said specific repairing method;
means for managing information of franchisee;
means for managing the number of franchisees for each region;
and
means for outputting information for preparing a branching plan based on the the number of franchisees for each region that are managed by a franchisee number managing device.
Special Instructions and Other Comments:
franchisee management, franchisor software,



STIC Search Results Feedback Form

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Questions about the scope or the results of the search? Contact *the EIC searcher* or contact:

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Voluntary Results Feedback Form

➤ I am an examiner in Workgroup: Example: 3620 (optional)

➤ Relevant prior art **found**, search results used as follows:

- ☐ 102 rejection
- ☐ 103 rejection
- ☐ Cited as being of interest.
- ☐ Helped examiner better understand the invention.
- ☐ Helped examiner better understand the state of the art in their technology.

Types of relevant prior art found:

- ☐ Foreign Patent(s)
- ☐ Non-Patent Literature
(journal articles, conference proceedings, new product announcements etc.)

➤ Relevant prior art **not found**:

- ☐ Results verified the lack of relevant prior art (helped determine patentability).
- ☐ Results were not useful in determining patentability or understanding the invention.

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